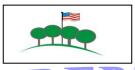
December 2022



LIBERTY GROVE ROCKS

Featured Business

Tannenbaum Holiday Shop 11054 State Hwy 42 Sister Bay, WI 54234 920-854-5004 Tannenbaumholidayshop.com

Important Dates

Dec. 21st- Town Board Meeting 7pm

Dec. 26th- Town Hall Closed

Dec. 27th- Tax payments accepted, Town Hall

9-12pm

Jan. 2nd- Town Hall Closed

Jan 4th- Town Board Meeting 7pm

FROM YOUR TOWN CHAIRMAN

Nsight has continued to connect properties in the immediate Northport area to the fiber optic internet cable as part of the pilot project for Town-wide fiber optic availability. Upload and download internet speeds are hitting near 300 megabits per second as projected. The pilot project is in conjunction with the project on Washington Island as the Town is receiving the internet feed on a backhaul from the island. The Northport project is scheduled to be completed in 2023. Liberty Grove has received the initial billing for the project and was happy and appreciative that the billing from WPS for pole replacement/moving and cable attachment was covered by the grant money Washington Island received for their fiber optic project. A big thank you to the Island for their assistance in the Liberty Grove pilot project. Farr Technologies will be providing Liberty Grove with an engineering design plan for Town-wide fiber optic. We anticipate that will be done in 2023 and our project will be let out for bids.

David Studebaker, who has been instrumental in the Liberty Grove town wide project, has retired as chair of the Technology Committee. His research, persistence, and dedication for close to 12 years is truly appreciated as is the work of the entire Committee. Well done, David. Kirk Scattergood is the new chairman of the Technology Committee.

The Board unanimously approved a new contract for Administrator Kalms for 2023, 2024, and 2025.

The Town has received the salt for Town roads and the Town Crew is ready for winter snow removal. We have an option for additional salt delivery should the need arise.

The Green Tier ad hoc Committee mission statement has been approved. Green Tier is a DNR program, the first in the country, which is voluntary. The goal is to embrace a sustainable and resilient environmental management strategy for superior environmental performance. Supervisor Ward brought the idea of joining the Green Tier Community to the Board's attention.

On behalf of the Board, Administration and Town Crew may you and yours have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



FROM YOUR TOWN BOARD

If you are interested in running for office, there will be 2 Supervisor positions up for election in April as well as Chairman. The forms are available on the Town website. The 1st day to circulate nomination papers is Dec. 1st. The last day to file nomination papers is Jan. 3rd, by 5pm.





REMEMBER

A delicious and nutritious lunch is provided by.

The Senior Resource Center
At the
Liberty Grove Town Hall

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday Every week, except on Holidays.

Call **920-746-2523**
24 hours before the first time you come for lunch.

Ellison Bay Service Club

Visit their **Facebook page** to find out the latest news and activities in **Ellison Bay** and **all over Liberty Grove**.

www.facebook.com/ellisonbayserviceclubdc

<u>Door County North</u>-local business organization promoting and supporting this area. <u>www.doorcountynorth.org</u>

GEO-DC

Cultivating knowledge and stewardship of the Niagara Escarpment corridor and its geological, ecological, and cultural wonders in people of all ages and from all walks of life.

https://Geo-dc.org or visit their Facebook page.

<u>Liberty Grove Historical Society</u>- supporting the past, present, and future of Liberty Grove.

www.libertygrovehistorical.org

Door Count Coastal Byways

The mission of all designated Scenic Byways is to educate/presserve/protect/enhance & promote the outlined intrinsic values required by the Federal Highway Administration National Scenic Byway & Wisconsin Scenic Byway programs. In addition we collaborate with other local/regional & state agencies to further these goals. www.doorcountycoastalbyway.org

For one minute walk outside, stand there in silence. Look up at the sky and contemplate how amazing life is...

NWTC Community Education Classes

To see all the classes/credit classes offered in Sister Bay go to www.nwtc.edu and click on "Find a Class" by location and choose "Learning Innovation Center" in the drop-down box. Learn from home via Zoom, a video meeting platform.

A computer, laptop, or tablet with reliable broadband will be required for some of the classes. Instructions for accessing the class via Zoom will be provided. You can also register by calling 1-888-385-NWTC, or you can call 920-746-4970 for assistance, or contact the Learning and Innovation Center at sisterbay@nwtc.edu

Mark your calendars now for the **Aging Resource Fair** from 11 am to 2 pm on Thursday, January 12. About a dozen area agencies will be on hand to answer your questions about healthy aging and caregiving. Enjoy complimentary soup from Galecktables and attend any (or all!) of the following presentations:

11 am – 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's
11:30 am - Healthy Eating for One or Two
Noon - How to Get Better Sleep
12:30 pm - Reduce your Risk of Falling
1 pm- Physical Therapy for a Healthy Bladder
1:30 pm - Back and Spinal Health

To register, call 920-746-4970. Walk-ins are welcome. This event is free.

Door County Library- Sister Bay / Liberty Grove

READERS RAMPANT BOOK CLUB Sister Bay-Liberty Grove Library - second Tuesday, 2:30 pm

December 13-Charlie Lovett will be hosting via Zoom to talk about his book "The Enigma Affair".

December Screen-Free Craft Bag Pickup. All Libraries

Celebrate fall by stopping in at any of our Door County branches for a festive December craft bag! Make two ornament crafts: a candy tree, and a gingerbread man, plus a colorable bookmark. For ages 4K - 2nd grade.

Tax Payments

December 27, 2022, 9:00am - Noon

For those of you who wish to pay your **Property Taxes in person for 2022,** Stacy Bell, Clerk/Treasurer, will be available in the office for the purpose of collecting your property taxes during the above referenced timeperiod. Please bring your tax bill with you to be certain your payment is applied to the correct tax parcel.

This is the only time you will be able to make your payment at the Town Hall.

The **2023 Dog Licenses & Tags** for new dogs and renewals are available as of **December 1, 2022**. You must apply for the license before April 1, 2023, to avoid a late fee.

Fees are Altered - \$5.00 Regular - \$10.00

You will need to provide a certificate from your dog's veterinarian showing his/her current rabies shot, expiration date, the manufacturer and serial number for that vaccine



Shop Local for the Holidays

As we approach the middle of December this might be a good time to and everyone that shopping locally is the best. It helps to keep people employed and shops open longer than the tourist season. You can find shops located in Liberty Grove by going to our web site, www.libertygrovewi.gov and look under the business tab. If you know of a business in Liberty Grove that isn't listed on the web, contact Stacy Bell at 920-854-2934 and she can get that business in the directory.

Shopping locally saves time and gas and is safer when the snow is falling. Plan on shopping locally this year.

December

Dec. 9th-11th- Christkindlmarket, finely made seasonal artisan goods. Traditional Nordic food and drink. Corner of the Past Muesum, 10310 Fieldcrest Rd, Sister Bay.



Door County Bundle Up Campaign Kicks Off . . .

Multiple locations will be available to drop off new and gently used hats, mittens, and winter gear.

Kick Ash Door County located in Eilison Bay will be the donation site for Northern Door County. Hours are as follows: M,T, Th, Frl, Sat 8-3/ Sunday 8-12. Closed Wednesday.

Dates: Now until January 9th. All donations help our Door County residents.





The Salvation Army needs bell ringers in Northern Door

The holiday season red kettle campaign is a major source of the funds that the Salvation Army uses to provide emergency services to your neighbors in need.

When you volunteer to ring the bell, you help the Salvation Army provide direct financial support to people in critical situations. This could be for rent, utilities, transportation or other urgent circumstances.

All donations collected in Door County stay in the county.

Please consider helping by ringing a two-hour shift on a Friday or Saturday from November 25 — December 24. Locations are: Piggly Wiggly, Al Johnson's, and the <u>Christkindlmarkt</u> at the Corner of the Past Museum in Sister Bay; Baileys 57 BP in Baileys Harbor; and the Pioneer Store in Ellison Bay.

Check for open time slots and sign up at RegisterToRing.com, or call Mary Rosecky at 854-5480.

Snow Plowing

A reminder that this is snow plowing season. Plowing or shoveling the snow into or across town roads is not permitted and can result in fines. If you have your driveway plowed by a private individual, please remind them not to plow across town roads







Season's Greetings!

The barn is all dressed up for the holidays, thanks to Marcy Farber and Cheryl Culver. Lights from the windows cast a warm glow across the snow covered grounds in the evening reminding us that Liberty Grove Historical Society continues to welcome visitors to the site throughout the year. Thank you, Dave Westen, for keeping the "candles" lit. And thank YOU, our membership and community, for your continued and generous support of Liberty Grove Historical Society. There are lots of plans in the works for another successful season in 2023! We look forward to seeing you then.

Liberty Grove Residents, please take a few minutes and complete this survey, if you haven't already done so. Thank you!



Help Us Get Internet to <u>Your</u> Home or Business



Door County has hired a Broadband Coordinator and established a Broadband Committee to help guide the deployment of Fiber to the Premise (FTTP) throughout Door County. In addition your local municipality has a committee that is working at a local level.

We need all residents, property and business owners to participate in this survey to show what internet services are in place in the County. It is projected to cost \$140 million for Fiber to the Premise in Door County. It is critical for us to obtain as much Federal and State funding as possible and not leave anyone behind.

Every survey completed can help:

- 1. The State obtain more federal funding for Fiber.
- The County and Municipalities qualify and apply for more State and Federal grants to help pay for Fiber to the premise.

We need you to complete this short 10 minute survey that includes an internet speed test from your home or business (or both) at fibernetdoorcounty.org. If you do not have internet access available at your home or business please fill out the paper survey and return it to the address provided.

If you do not have internet access from your home or business OR you only have cellular access:

Please fill out the survey below and mail it to the address at the bottom of this sheet OR call 608-267-3595 to do this survey over the telephone.

- 1. Full Street Address
- Unit Number (If You Have One) _____

 City _____

 4. Zip Code ______
- 5. Place Type (Circle All That Apply): Home Business School Library Other (Please explain)_____
- Do You Rent or Own this Place? (Circle Response):
 Rent Own Neither
 Other (Please explain)

Please mail this survey back to: Broadband Coordinator 421 Nebraska Street Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235 OR email to: jhatch@co.door.wi.us



Take the broadband survey and speed test from your home internet connection at:

http://maps.psc.wi.gov/apps/WISER or FIBERNETDOORCOUNTY.ORG